

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 13 with the following amended paragraph:

-- As shown in FIGS. 1A and 1B, a screw assembly 1 is provided comprised of an arm 2 and a base 3 in a single unit. The screw assembly 1 is elongate and the arm 2 and base 3 of the screw assembly 1, are coupled by an interconnection 4. Additionally, as shown in FIGS. 1A and 1B, the interconnection 4 facilitates movement between the arm 2 and the base 3, such that the arm 2 is positionable in a first position that is parallel to a long axis of the base 3 (shown in FIG. 1A) and positionable in a second position that is perpendicular to the long axis of the base 3 (shown in FIG. 1B). The base 3 of the screw assembly 1 is configured for attachment to a structure (e.g., a bone) and the arm 2 is configured for attachment to a support structure 10 (described in detail below). In application, one or more screw assemblies 1 are attached to a support structure 10. Preferably, two screw assemblies 1 are attached to a single support structure 10. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 8 with the following amended paragraph:

-- Additionally, as shown in FIGS. 1A and 1B, the setscrew 9 can effect locking of the arm 2 into a fixed position. Prior to moving the arm 2 into the deployed position, the setscrew 9 is loosely set in place. Upon deployment, the arm 2 can be locked in a position that is substantially perpendicular to the long axis of the base 3 by tightening the setscrew 9 into the threaded open saddle head 6 of the base 3 (see FIG 1D[B]). --